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TO:

Minerals File

FROM:

Doug Jensen, Senior Reclamation Specialist

RE:

Site Inspection, Apex/Burgin Project, M/049/009, Utah County, Utah

Date of Inspection:

February 6, 2002

Time of Inspection:

7:00 a.m.

Conditions:

Cold and Clear

Participants:

Doug Jensen, UDOGM

Purpose of Inspection:

To check the wet stack tailings area within the mine area that had been requested for release. The mine is proposing to place dry stack tailings in another area of the mine.

Observations:

The area of the wet stack tailings has not been disturbed and can be released.

While on the site I checked the area of the dry stack tailings. The mine has begun to utilize the area for disposal of their tailings from the mill. This area has been stripped of soil, a drain system and catch pond constructed previously and now is receiving tailings without an approved permit. I notified Tom Munson of the activity that was taking place at the site.

Pictures were taken of the dry stack area.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

Notify the operators that they are not authorized to use the dry stack area until the permit has been approved and the surety has been received.

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